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Appellant: LARA MADISON et al.  
Application No: 09/235,875  
Hearing Room: B  
Hearing Docket: A  
Hearing Date: Thursday, April 17, 2008  
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First Named Inventor	Lara Madison
Art Unit	1638
Examiner Name	Russell Kallis
Attorney Docket Number	MBX 020

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**For FY 2008**☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

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Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180
<b>Total Claims</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Fee Paid (\$)</b>
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**For:** *TRANSGENIC SYSTEMS FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF POLY(3-HYDROXY-BUTYRATE-CO-3-HYDROXYHEXANOATE)*

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